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COUNTY IN WHICH THIS ACTION AROSE: _____

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I. PLAINTIFFS

Prior Lacrosse, Inc., a Michigan corporation

County of Residence of First Listed: MacombDEFENDANTS **02-70193**

J. deBeer & Son, Inc., a Tennessee corporation

County of Residence of First Listed: _____

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE LAND INVOLVED.

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BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

U.S. Government Plaintiff ☒ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
U.S. Government Defendant ☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

Citizen of This State ☐ 1 ☐ 1 Incorporated or Principal of Business in This State ☐ 4 ☐
Citizen of Another ☐ 2 ☐ 2 Incorporated and Principal of Business in Another State ☐ 5 ☒
Citizen or Subject of Foreign Country ☐ 3 ☐ 3 Foreign Nation ☐ 6 ☐

NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES
10 Insurance 20 Marine 30 Miller Act 40 Negotiable Instrument 50 Recovery of Overpayment and Enforcement of Judgment 51 Medicare Act 52 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Veterans) 53 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits 60 Stockholders' Suits 90 Other Contract 95 Contract Product Liability	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel And Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury—Med. Malpractice <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury—Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 610 Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> 620 Other Food & Drug <input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21: 581 <input type="checkbox"/> 630 Liquor Laws <input type="checkbox"/> 640 R.R. & Truck <input type="checkbox"/> 650 Airline Regs. <input type="checkbox"/> 660 Occupational Safety/Health <input type="checkbox"/> 680 Other LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 730 Labor/Mgmt. Reporting & Disclosure Act <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 750 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 761 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7608	<input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce/ICC <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced & Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 810 Selective Service <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 875 Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410 <input type="checkbox"/> 881 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 882 Economic Stabilization Act <input type="checkbox"/> 883 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 884 Energy Allocation Act <input type="checkbox"/> 885 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 900 Appeal of Fee Determination Under Equal Access to Justice <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes <input type="checkbox"/> 980 Other Statutory Actions
REAL PROPERTY 210 Land Condemnation 220 Foreclosure 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment 240 Torts to Land 245 Tort Product Liability 290 All Other Real Property	CIVIL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 444 Welfare <input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights PRISONER PETITIONS <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence <input type="checkbox"/> Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition			

ORIGIN

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Original Proceeding ☐ 2Removed from State Court ☐ 3Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5Transferred from another district (specify) ☐ 6Multidistrict Litigation ☐ 7Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment ☐ 8

CAUSE OF ACTION

(Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing and write brief statement of cause. Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity.)

35 U.S.C. Sec. 271(a)-(c) Patent Infringement

REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

\$ DEMAND

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:
JURY DEMAND: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE _____

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION

02 - 70193

WARRIOR LACROSSE, INC., a
Michigan Corporation,

Plaintiff,

Civil Action No.
Hon.

GEORGE WOODS

v.

J. deBEER & SON, INC., a Tennessee
Corporation,

Defendant.

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COMPLAINT AND DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

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Plaintiff, **WARRIOR LACROSSE, INC.**, hereby complains, through its counsel, **ARTZ & ARTZ, P.C.** of Defendant, **J. deBEER & SON, INC.**, as follows:

THE PARTIES

A. THE PLAINTIFF

1. Warrior Lacrosse, Inc. ("Warrior"), is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan, having a principal place of business at 31430 Mound Road, Warren, Michigan 48092 and is doing business in this district.

2. Warrior is the owner of United States Patent No. 5,568,925 (the "'925 Patent-In-Suit'"), which issued on October 29, 1996 for an invention entitled "Scooped Lacrosse Head" (copy attached as Exhibit A).

B. THE DEFENDANT

3. J. deBeer & Son, Inc. ("deBeer"), is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Tennessee and has a principal place of business at 2102 N. Jackson Street, Tullahoma, Tennessee 37388-8104 and is doing business in this district.

4. deBeer manufactures and sells lacrosse sticks or heads for use in the game of lacrosse under the trade designation "Apex."

JURISDICTION

5. This is a civil action arising under 35 U.S.C. § 102 et. seq. for patent infringement.

6. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 and 1338

because this is a civil action for patent infringement and arises under the patent laws of the United States.

7. Venue is proper in this district because deBeer resides within this district as provided in 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(c) and 1400(b).

COUNT I - PATENT INFRINGEMENT

8. Warrior hereby realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 7 of the Complaint as though fully set forth herein.

9. This action arises under the United States Patent Laws, Title 35, United States Code.

10. In violation of 35 U.S.C. § 271(a)-(c), deBeer directly infringes the '925 Patent-In-Suit and actively induces infringement thereof by others through the manufacture, use, offer to sell and sale of the "Apex" lacrosse head.

11. deBeer's infringement of the '925 Patent-In-Suit is willful.

12. Unless enjoined, deBeer will continue its unlawful and willful infringement of the '925 Patent-In-Suit.

RELIEF REQUESTED

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, Warrior Lacrosse, Inc., demands judgment as follows:

A. That this Court preliminarily and permanently enjoin deBeer from further infringement of U.S. Patent No. 5,568,925;

B. That this Court find that deBeer and those in privilege therewith have infringed U.S. Patent No. 5,568,925;

C. That this Court award Warrior its costs, expenses and such other relief as is deemed just and equitable;

D. That this Court award Warrior compensatory damages and prejudgment interest thereof for deBeer's infringing acts;

E. That this Court treble such award of damages pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 284;

F. That this Court declare this case exception pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 285 and award Warrior its reasonable attorneys fees;

G. That this Court award Warrior its costs and expenses and such other relief as is deemed just and equitable.

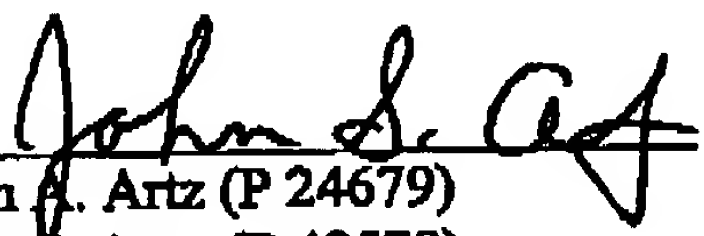
DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Plaintiff demands a jury trial on all issues so triable.

Respectfully submitted,

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